IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assignee:	West Coast Trends, Inc.		
Title:	FLEXIBLE TRAVEL BAG WITH INTEGRATED SUPORT TO PROTECT BAG FROM WEAR		
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
DATED JULY 7, 2006

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 7, 2006, having a shortened statutory period expiring October 7, 2006. This response is being filed the Monday following a weekend due date, therefore no extension fee is believed to be necessary. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.